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SUBJ: BBC REPORT: ALLEGED RESIGNATION IG PRIMIN

1. ON MARCH 27 AT 2100 HOURS LOCAL BBC CARRIED REPORT, WHICH WE UNDERSTAND IT HAS NOW RECALLED, THAT PRIMIN ENDALKACHEW HAD RPT HAD RESIGNED.

2. ETHIOPIAN TV HOUR LATER CARRIED EQUIVOCALLY WORKED STATEMENT THAT BBC INCORRECT SINCE NO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED ADDIS. STATEMENT ADDED THAT PM WOULD ISSUE IMPORTANT STATEMENT MORNING MARCH 28. BY NOON, NONE HAD APPEARED.

3. WE HAVE REPORTS THAT PRIMIN THREATENED RESIGNATION IF DISSIDENCE CONTINUED IN LARGE MEETING WITH MEMBERS HIS ADMINISTRATION YESTERDAY AFTERNOON (VOA HANDLING ON NEWSCAST HEARD HERE AT 0800 LOCAL MARCH 28 JUST RIGHT); WE ALSO HEAR, BUT CANNOT CONFIRM, THAT HE DID PRESENT HIS RESIGNATION TO EMPEROR WHO REFUSED ACCEPT IT.

4. GIVEN BBC'S HIGH CREDIBILITY, ITS REPORT, BUT NOT ITS SUBSEQUENT DENIAL, HAVING CONSIDERABLE IMPACT HERE, PARTICULARLY VIEW CONTENTS PRECEDING PARAGRAPH.

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5. WE ARE MONITORING SOURCES CLOSELY AND WILL PROMPTLY TRANSMIT
RELEVANT STATEMENT IF RPT IF IT IS ISSUED. FYI DISSIDENCE IN
NORTHERN ETHIOPIA CURRENTLY SHOWS SIGNS OF EASING. DETAILS IN
SEPTTEL TO FOLLOW.

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